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transmitting second signals comprising the first communication, a second communication and second associated information, the second associated information differing at least partially from the first associated information, from another of the plurality of first stations to the second station; and receiving at the second station the first and second signals, wherein the second station processes the first and second signals in accordance with the first and second associated information.

Paragraph beginning at line 26 of page 4 through line 10 of page 5 has been amended as follows:

According to a second aspect of the present invention, there is provided a network comprising a plurality of first stations and a plurality of second stations, each of the first stations being connected to a control element, wherein at least one of the first stations is connected to one control element and at least one of the first stations being connected to a different control element, wherein, in a first mode, when a second station is in communication with a plurality of first stations controlled by the same control element, the first stations transmit identical control information to the second station and, in a second mode, when a second station is in communication with a plurality of first stations which are controlled by a plurality of different control elements, the control information transmitted by the first stations to the second station is different, the control information being used by the second station in the first and second modes to control the processing carried out by the second station in respect of signals received from the plurality of first stations.